

A MEMBER OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC MULTI-ACADEMY TRUST

15th January 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted to be writing to you to announce the official launch of our new Wraparound Care service. For the first time at the school, we are offering extended After-School Wraparound Care which will run until 5.45 p.m., Monday to Friday during term-time throughout the school year (excluding staff training days), which will complement the comprehensive provision we already offer in a morning through our *Breakfast Club* and *Wake Up and Shake Up*.

I would ask all parents to take the time to read our new **Wraparound Policy** which is available on our website. We will also send all parents an Arbor App message with a link to this Policy, which includes the **Terms and Conditions** of the new service.

The Wraparound Policy provides all the information that parents need. In this letter I would simply like to draw parents' attention to a number of particularly important points:

- Our new Wraparound Provision launches on Monday 20th January 2025.
- From this date, all Wraparound Care sessions, both before-school and after-school, must be booked and paid for in advance through the Arbor App. When booking any session of Wraparound Care, parents are acknowledging that they have read and understood our Terms and Conditions and agree to be bound by these in full.
- The booking system will go live on Friday 17th January 2025. Parents will receive an Arbor App message once the system is live.
- For parents booking After-School Wraparound Provision, this has been split into three different sessions. Please note that in the first session, 3.00 p.m. 4.00 p.m. parents have a choice of booking an Extra-Curricular Club OR After-School Care. Please see the Wraparound Policy for further details. PLEASE NOTE: the Extra-Curricular Clubs require a commitment to book for the full term; whereas After-School Care is a more flexible booking option with no minimum booking requirement.
- An additional letter with details of the **Extra-Curricular Clubs** will be issued tomorrow, and subsequently at the start of each term to inform parents of any changes to clubs.

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PLEASE NOTE: It is important that **all parents** read **Section 8** of the Wraparound Policy, even if you have no plans to make use of Wraparound Care.

In line with our Wraparound fees, we are introducing new charges for late collection of children after 3.15 p.m. and who have not been booked into Wraparound Care. It will mean that any child remaining in school after 3.15 p.m. will be admitted into After-School Care and will incur exactly the same fees payable for that session of care.

This change is being introduced in the interests of being fair to all of the parents who **are** paying for After-School Wraparound Care.

We are excited to be launching this new service to support our families. A lot of hard work has gone into establishing our Wraparound Care offer and the Wraparound team of staff are very keen to ensure that these sessions offer experiences and opportunities that are exciting, engaging, and rewarding for your children.

As explained before Christmas, it is important that this Wraparound Care service is financially viable as we currently receive no funding for its provision through the school budget. It is hoped we will be able to break-even, and if we do make a profit through this service, then every penny of that profit will be poured back into projects around the school to continue to improve facilities for the children.

I very much hope that parents will support the service and help to make this a busy and thriving success story for our school.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. M. Strong, Headteacher

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